

WEEKLY READER

Bureau of Indian Education – Minneapolis Region

August 19, 2011

School Calendars

Please send your 2011-2012 school calendars to our office as soon as possible. These will assist us in scheduling ISEP visits in October. The following school calendars are still missing:

- Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig
- Circle of Life School
- Hannahville Indian School
- Lac Courte Oreilles
- Nay-Ah-Shing School

Please fax or email to Kirsten.

School Handbooks

Please send your 2011-2012 Parent-Student handbooks to this office. We will be looking for policies relating to: anti-bullying, discipline, suicide prevention/intervention, parent involvement, FERPA.

IIS

Any new employees needing access to the BIE domain must submit a request for their bie.edu account to Kirsten Johnson. She will send the correct form for you to complete and return.

Circle of Life Academy

This is the new name of the new school due to open in October/November 2011. The tribal council is currently interviewing candidates for a new administrator.

OSDFS Prevention

A big focus of OSDFS this year is bullying. As the school year begins, please be aware and alert to bullying in your school and do your part to prevent and control its effects on student learning.

Parent Survey Data

Recently schools received the results from the Parent Survey for SY 2010-2011. Beth Tepper has reviewed the results for our region will be contacting the schools regarding strengths and weaknesses. This is a valuable tool for future professional development, as well as parent trainings. These results are important because they provide insight on what you can do to improve parent involvement at your schools.

2011 BIE Special Education Academy

This year the SPED Academy will be in sunny Tampa, Florida, September 12-15, 2011, at the Hyatt Regency Tampa. This training opportunity is highly recommended for special educators, other support staff and administrators. You can register at <http://2011specialeducationacademy.com>. If you have questions, contact Dr. Eugene Thompson at: Eugene.thompson@bie.edu.

The draft agenda for the BIE Special Education Academy is on the BIE website and can be accessed by using this link <http://2011specialeducationacademy.com/>. There will be NASIS training to cover the basics on how to use the SPED module, and will review the changes made over the year in NASIS for SPED module.

Emergency Preparedness Plan

Please update any changed in your EPP before the beginning of the new school year.

NASIS

Please run the Validation Report monthly and check for corrections. For questions, please e-mail tojoseph.geary@bie.edu.

Flandreau Indian School Vacancy Announcements

Please contact Belva Renville at Flandreau (1-800-942-1647 x2142) for more information about the following opening positions:
Counseling Psychologist
Home living Assistants (5)
Substitute Teachers (2)
Education Specialist

Environmental Management System

The EMS training is scheduled for September 27-29 in Bloomington, MN, at the new BIA location: 5600 American Blvd W. #500 Bloomington, MN 55437. More details to come in a separate ELO memo.

New Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School Superintendent

Jackie L. Ward comes to BUG school with years of experience and professional development since she began with Head Start in 1994. She has since worked in early childhood, special education, and other aspects of teaching throughout Minnesota while remaining a lifelong learner with her Master's in Education and various levels of administrative leadership certification. We are looking forward to working with her as she has an enthusiastic attitude toward education and great ideas for Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig!

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